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Title: SAMPLE TREATING KIT AND SAMPLE TREATING METHOD USING THE
SAME FOR ANALYSIS WITH A BIOSENSOR

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

This Response is provided to address the issues raised in the Notice of Non-Complaint Amendment, mailed June 29, 2004. The submission that is non-complaint is a Amendment After Final; therefore the period for response is that set in the original Final Rejection (Paper No. 26).

Accordingly, this response is timely filed on July 6, 2004 (as July 5, 2004 was a Federal holiday), in view of the enclosed Petition for an extension of time to the second month. The fee and Petition for a first month extension of time were submitted with the Amendment After Final filed June 6, 2004.

Please correct the Amendment After Final filed June 6, 2004 by replacing the original Claim Listing with the following: